## 2020 Accomplishments

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# 2020

### Year in Review

A look back at an unprecedented year













✓ During the 116<sup>th</sup> Congress, Rep. Espaillat reintroduced 18 bills and resolutions and introduced 24 NEW items.

42

total pieces of legislation

- ✓ Versions or components of two of Espaillat's bills became law as part of other legislation:
  - o H.R. 2203, Empowerment Zones retroactive extension
  - o H.R. 6343, Small Business COVID-19 Recovery Grants Act of 2020

- ✓ Another one of Espaillat's bills became law:
  - o H.R. 3870, Normandia Maldonado post office renaming

- **✓** Three stand-alone bills passed in the House:
  - o H.R. 4387, Small Business Growth Accelerator Fund Act
  - o H.R. 2914, Housing Survivors of Major Disasters Act of 2020
  - o H.R. 7703, Caribbean Basin Security Initiative Authorization Act
- ✓ Two other bills passed in the House as part of other legislation:
  - o H.R. 5231, Transportation Alternatives Enhancements Act
  - o H.R. 7206, Excessive Force Prevention and Accountability Act of 2020

- ✓ Espaillat got **seven amendments** to bills adopted in the House:
  - o H.R. 1, the *For the People Act* Relating to diversity of membership of state redistricting commissions.
  - H.R. 9, the *Climate Action Now Act* − Relating to environmental justice.
  - o Four-bill FY2020 appropriations package (H.R. 2740) Increased the Caribbean Basin Security Initiative by \$2 million.
  - Seven-bill FY2021 appropriations package (H.R. 7617):
    - Prohibits the Office of Refugee Resettlement and the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services from contracting with any for-profit contractor for the purposes of housing unaccompanied children
    - Highlight and encourage continued support of undergraduate STEM education at Hispanic-Serving Institutions (HSIs); as authorized by the *America COMPETES Act*
    - Highlight the need for English Language Acquisition (ELA) grants and technical assistance to local education agencies supporting the education of English learners (ELs).
    - Support greater minority patient outreach and minority candidate inclusion by the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases in clinical trial participation for any vaccine or therapeutics to treat the novel Coronavirus 2019 (COVID-19).
- ✓ And Espaillat got **five amendments adopted in committee** as part of H.R. 2, *INVEST in America Act*

#### Funding requests fulfilled in the 116th Congress:

The following funding requests made by Espaillat were fulfilled and became law:

- □ \$34.5 million for body-worn cameras for CBP border agents
- ☐ Language requiring ICE to develop its own comprehensive body-worn camera pilot program
- Language requiring USCIS to work with stakeholders and report to Congress on any plans to consolidate or close international field offices
- □ \$74.8 million for the Caribbean Basin Security Initiative.
- ☐ Increased funding for the WIC Farmers Market Nutrition Program to \$21 billion.
- \$2.6 billion for the New Starts infrastructure program, which will provide funds to the Second Avenue Subway Phase II Extension project.
- \$91.5 million to help Hispanic-serving colleges and universities expand their STEM programs.